

# CHRISTMAS PARTY AT THE ORPHEUM CITY POOL ROOMS FIGHT EACH OTHER

Manager Joseph Goss Acts as Host at an Evening of Merriment.

Speech-Making Feature of Evening—Present from the Employees to Manager.

A very pleasant Christmas party was held on the stage of the Orpheum theater last night, the host being Manager Joseph Goss. At the conclusion of the performance the stage was cleared of theatrical equipment and a long table was set in the center of the floor. After the thirty guests had gathered about the table a very dainty Dutch lunch was served.

Following the introduction of the toastmaster the following guests were called upon for talk: Lew Wells, Billy Hart, Miss Ida O'Day, Mrs. Dean, Mr. Seibold, Cliff Dean, Paul Florus and

Following the introduction of the speech-making Robert Splan, stage manager of the Orpheum, on behalf of the theater employees in a neat speech presented Manager Goss with an umbrella.

The genial director of affairs at the Orpheum was so completely overcome by the unexpected move that it was several minutes before he could audibly express his deep appreciation. The little celebration was brought to a close by all singing "Auld Lang Syne" and each wishing the others the greetings of the season.

Those in attendance at the banquet were the members presenting last week's bill. A member of those who will appear this week, the attaches of the theater, a number of intimate friends and press representatives.

MISS ELVETTA LITTLEFIELD



of Pueblo, Colorado, has been secured as professor of stenography to succeed

MISS ADDIE E. MORSE.



who took her oath of office as a stenographer in the civil service department of this city.

MISS MINNIE ALBERT.



who for the past two months has taken \$1000 a week as bookkeeper and accountant with a firm of this city. She is one of twenty-five other students who have been placed in government, railroad, state and commercial positions since the fall term of 1910-11 began.

The first semester of the Ogden Business college year 1910-11 closed December 23rd. The new semester will begin Tuesday, January 3rd. The college office will be open for enrollment during the holidays.

Forum Exchange Says the Turf Pool Room Stole Their Telegraphic Service

Trouble May Disclose Scandal and Close Race Track Gambling.

The culmination of a bitter war which has been going on for the past two weeks between two race track pool rooms of this city came yesterday, when detectives from the police department searched the building in which the Forum saloon is located and arrested two men, who were charged with stealing reports on the Oakland and Jacksonville races for the Turf Exchange.

The men arrested were Carl Farr and Richard O'Connor, but were released soon afterward, when it was discovered that there was no law under which they could be punished so long as they had not tampered with the wires over which the reports are received, and there was no evidence to this effect. They obtained their reports for the rival exchange by cutting a hole in the floor of a room directly over the poolroom, but it is claimed that neither of the men were telegraph operators and that they took the reports only after they had been made by an announcer.

Details of the affair involve the names of several prominent business men who are said to be connected with the exchange located in Black & Ward's Forum saloon on Grant avenue. The rival Turf exchange is located on Twenty-fifth street. It is also hinted that the publicity resulting from the affair of yesterday afternoon may be the signal gun for a wholesale crusade against the race track poolrooms and that this form of gambling in Ogden is doomed.

The investigation by the police officials yesterday was made at the instigation of Jimmie Dunn, one of the proprietors of the Forum exchange. It is claimed that the exclusive franchise for the Oakland and eastern races was obtained by the proprietors of the Forum exchange, and that the reports cost them about \$1000 per day. It is claimed that previous to the second floor arrangement and telephone service to the Turf exchange, representatives of that institution were stationed in the Forum and obtained the race reports, afterward conveying them to the Twenty-fifth street resort.

The proprietors of the Forum are said to have become acquainted with this system and refused to allow the Turf messengers to enter the place. As the Turf continued to receive reports, and even more quickly and accurately than before, Dunn and his associates had suspicions of wire-tapping.

Armed with a search warrant, Chief of Detectives James Pender and Detective Burk went to the Forum yesterday afternoon and went at once to the second floor, which is occupied as a rooming house and operated by a man named Rogers. Rogers is said to have opposed the visit of the officers through the rooms of the upper floor, but they were supplied with the necessary papers in the form of a search warrant.

In one of the rooms directly over the large blackboard on which the races are marked up, the detectives found Farr and O'Connor. For the use of this room the Turf proprietors are said to have paid Rogers \$20 per week. In some unknown manner the visit of the officers had reached Farr and he had succeeded in cutting the telephone instrument from the wall and hid it. Upon investigation of the room it was found that a hole about one foot square had been cut in the floor, over which by lying on the floor with his ear to the opening a man could hear the reports as they were read off by the announcer, or even take the reports direct from the telegraph instrument if he happened to be an operator. The reports were then transmitted to the Turf exchange by telephone.

After making their discovery Farr and O'Connor were taken over to the police headquarters and the county attorney was summoned. Proprietors of the Turf exchange also sent Attorney H. H. Henderson to the police department to look after the interests of their employees. Upon acquainting himself with the circumstances of the case the county attorney arrived at the conclusion that, as the men had not molested the telegraph wire, there which they could be held and punished. On the advice of the county official, Chief of Police Browning therefore released Farr and O'Connor.

Much excitement followed the announcement of the arrest of Farr and O'Connor, and for a time a small-scale riot was threatened. Employees and patrons of the Turf exchange descended on the pool room operated by Dunn and his associates and started a free-for-all, but the trouble was quickly suppressed by the police.

The disclosures made by the police and the subsequent arrest of the Turf attaches was the one topic of conversation about the gambling resorts last night, and the result of the agitation is problematical.

"I am pleased to recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as the best thing I know of and safest remedy for coughs, colds and bronchial trouble," writes Mrs. L. B. Arnold of Denver, Colo. "We have used it repeatedly and it has never failed to give relief." For sale by all dealers.

LICENSES TO WED.

A marriage license was issued last evening by County Clerk Dye to Lester Barnell of Omaha, Neb., and Della Brown of Ogden. The contracting parties are colored people.

# SEEKS DAMAGES FOR INJURIES

Joseph Fazio Suing Corey Bros. Construction Company for \$30,000.

Alleges That He Was Frightfully Burned While Blasting With Powder.

Joseph Fazio has commenced suit against the Corey Brothers' Construction company to recover \$30,000 alleged to be due for injuries sustained by the plaintiff while in the employment of the company at Garfield, Mont., where the defendants were engaged in the building of a railroad for the Montana Railway company, the accident being alleged to have happened December 27, 1907.

Mr. Fazio states that he was employed by the company as a teamster and that the company directed him to haul dirt to a point where blasting with giant powder was being done, and that while he was so employed an explosion occurred and he was frightfully injured. He says he has partially lost the sight of his left eye, and that his ears were so injured that he became nearly deaf, and he thinks he sustained permanent injuries that are permanent.

# LIBERTY DOES NOT GET HIS LIBERTY

Prisoner is Alleged to Have Passed a Bogus Check on Clothing Store.

Alleging that he passed a forged check at a Twenty-fifth street clothing store, the police last evening arrested Joseph H. Liberty. No checks or other evidence of Liberty's guilt were found about his person when he was placed under arrest, but the proprietor of the store identified the man as the same person who tendered him the bogus paper.

Liberty is being held at the city jail pending further investigation of the case.

# A BIG NEW HOLIDAY BILL

TONIGHT AT THE ORPHEUM.

The Orpheum's new bill for Christmas week is certain a topnotcher; every act is pleasing and entertaining and will prove a great treat to Ogden theatergoers.

Miss Felice Morris, daughter of the late Felix Morris, one of America's most distinguished character actors, will appear in Edgar Allan Woolf's comedietta, "A Call for Help."

This author has written many successful vaudeville sketches and his latest effort is recognized as his best. Miss Morris will be supported by George Saybolt and Edward Cohen, and she is a great favorite here, therefore she can rely on a cordial reception.

The Three White Kibbles sing comic songs in amusing fashion to the accompaniment of the mandolin, guitar and violin. The boys have several clever parodies and there is real music in every number. All the members have pleasing voices and personalities that attract.

Hilda Hawthorne is a woman ventriloquist who shows good control and possesses an attractive stage presence. She introduces some new ideas and is sure to give her audience a treat.

Marie Hart, America's foremost versatile artist, and Bill Hart will appear in a unique comedy playlet entitled "The Circus Girl." The act is a scream from start to finish, original and diverting, with two decidedly clever people in the principal roles.

Little need be said of Lew Wells, who comes with his monologue and saxophone eccentricities. His humor and splendid solos result in a positively delightful act.

The Gus Onlay trio, Parisian wire performers, will be included in next week's Orpheum program. This trio had a widespread reputation, and the offering they will present will be entirely new. The feminine member of the trio, Miss Pitt, is an attractive personality, and her performance of riding a bicycle on a slack wire suspended from the teeth of her male associates is a distinct and sensational feature.

These acts, together with an extraordinary good set of Kinetophone motion pictures, will make one of the best bills of the season.

Special Xmas matinee Monday at 2:15.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH.

At 11 a. m., annual Christmas sermon by the pastor, Rev. E. J. Fisher, on "The People of Christmas Day." Miss Holbey will sing Gossard's "Nazareth." 7:30 p. m., grand Christmas festival of the Sunday school. Program: "The Pilgrimage to Bethlehem," concert by the little folks; tableaux, songs, gifts. The public is cordially invited. Doors open at a slack Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. and Epworth league at 6:15 p. m. Open house Monday afternoon and evening in the boys' department of the church.

M'CANN'S XMAS PLANS ARE UPSET

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Former Police Inspector Edward M'Cann, who was convicted of accepting bribes in the west side levee district today surrendered himself to Jailer Davies at the Cook county jail. A mandate by the supreme court of state ordering his imprisonment destroyed his plans for a Christmas celebration at his home. Next week he will be taken to Joliet.

# ACTIVITY AROUND THE POST OFFICE

More Mail Handled This Year Than Ever Before—Presents for Employees.

In noting the mass of people that throng the spacious corridors of the Ogden postoffice, and seeing the clerks actively handling out packages and taking care of the mail, reminds one of the many tokens of good cheer which find their way to all parts of the country. The clerks work unitedly and with a will to serve the big crowds with as little delay as possible, and in recognition of past good service the employees were recipients of one sack of mixed nuts and boxes of cigars from Fred J. Kiesel & Co., one crate of bananas from Cragun Bros., a case of oranges from the Ogden Commission company, and a crate of one-pound packages of fancy mixed candy for each employee by Postmaster L. W. Shurtliff. The employees state that the merchants and business men are all princes, and recognize Uncle Sam's best efforts to please the public by giving the best service at his command.

Postmaster Shurtliff states that up to December 21 the amount of business was not equal to last year, but the mail received for delivery, and especially packages, up to December 24 is the largest ever handled at the Ogden postoffice.

# THE KISSING GIRL

The management of the Ogden theatre is out today with positive assurance that the Stanislaus Stange musical comedy, "The Kissing Girl," will be seen here on New Year's eve.

"The Kissing Girl," from author of book and lyrics, the composer of its musical settings, the designer of its scenic investiture and costume embellishments, the director and maitre d'ballet, down to the snug and elegantly fitting stage shoemaker, who fits fitting fittin' footies of a chorus of 50 females, this Chicago critic characterizes as a "seminary of loveliness," are all master-minds in their respective professions and petted favorites of fickle Dame Fortune. The jade has smiled on them so often that they believe that they have grown to believe they are immune from her frowns.

With beautiful Texas Guinan featured in the title role, aided and abetted by the superb comedian, Harry Harrison, the jocular light comedian, Dick Tennant, the pretty "Venita," Mr. London, the tenor, and Ida Fitzhugh, one of the cleverest eccentric German comedienne one finds; a cast of principals that absolutely guarantees a successful presentation of Mr. Stange's latest work in this city.

A complete ensemble shows 70 people, irrespective of the company's orchestra, under the directorship of Whitney Bennington. The opera comique is in three acts, with beautiful settings by the artist, Thomas Moses. The costumes are by Schoutz and the military uniforms by Hirsch & Co. The opera is staged personally by Mr. Stange, and the dancing novelties arranged by Mr. Charles Jones. Seats Thursday, 10 a. m.

# LAW SUIT OVER PROMISSORY NOTE

The Ogden Valley Trout & Resort company has commenced suit against T. J. Lewis to recover \$2,000 and attorney fees, alleged to be due on a certain promissory note, issued to Joseph Barker, November 13, 1909. The note was assigned to the plaintiff company 31st Dec. The note calls for \$2,000 and the plaintiff asks \$200 attorney fees in collecting the amount of the same.

# DEATHS AND FUNERALS

JOSEPH H. PAYNE.

Funeral services for Joseph H. Payne will be held Monday afternoon with services from Larkin & Sons' funeral chapel at 1 o'clock. Friends desiring to view the remains may do so this afternoon and tomorrow up to the time of the service. Interment in the Ogden cemetery.

FREDERICK COLLINS.

The funeral services over the remains of Frederick Collins will be held this afternoon at 1 o'clock from the residence at 331 Perry avenue. Bishop Moroni I. Marriott will conduct the services. Interment will be made in the city cemetery.

IRETA HIGGINBOTHAM.

Bishop H. C. Jacobs will conduct the funeral services of Ireta Higginbotham which will be held from the Fifth ward meeting house at 1 o'clock this afternoon. Interment in the city cemetery.

Friends desiring to review the remains may do so at the family home, 1425 Twenty-fifth street, up to the time of the services.

JOSEPH F. WEST.

An innovation is likely to occur in the matter of funerals in rural districts adjacent to interurban lines. In place of long funeral corteges over bad roads and in bad weather, the interurban cars can be used for such purposes, with all the comfort, convenience and exclusiveness that can be desired.

Such a funeral took place Friday, when a car containing the remains of Joseph A. West's little son, Joseph Franklin, and a company of mourners, left Brigham City at 12:45 p. m., after a very impressive service at the family residence, at 2 o'clock, and arrived at Twentieth street, just a half block from the city cemetery, where the interment took place.

Were the street car company to extend its track northward along Jefferson avenue to the main entrance of the city cemetery, there is no question but many living at a distance would avail themselves of the convenience and comfort of such funeral arrangements as the above.

It is with right hearty good will that we wish you all

# A Merry Christmas

And with equal sincerity do we thank the public for the kindness and good cheer which made our work pleasant even during the busiest hour

You will doubtless be happy to know that, as a result of your generous patronage, this store—your store—has today a new record to break in volume of Christmas business

## Thank You

W. H. WRIGHT & SONS COMPANY

# WATCHMAN HAS NARROW ESCAPE

While Attempting to Investigate Conditions in Box Cars He Confronts Robbers.

A watchman in the local railroad yards had a narrow escape from death Friday night, when he was fired upon by an unknown man, the bullet passing through the rim of his hat. The name of the watchman could not be learned, and the case was not reported to the police.

The man was making his rounds of the yards when he attempted to investigate the interior of a car. He had no sooner entered the car when there was a report of a revolver and a bullet hummed dangerously near his head.

He beat a hasty retreat to summon reinforcements, but neglected to close the door of the car. When he returned the unknown combatant had fled and no trace of him could be found.

Farmers, mechanics, railroaders, laborers rely on Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. Takes the sting out of cuts, burns or bruises at once. Pain cannot stay where it is used.

# OGDEN THEATRE JANUARY 1 AND 2

SPECIAL MATINEE MONDAY—A STUBBORN CINDERELLA.

A treat is in store for theatergoers this season, for there are a number of celebrities whose talent warrants them playing important parts who will be seen with "A Stubbard Cinderella" company. Cort Albertson, who plays the leading part, is a comedian in a class by himself, his interpretation of the role of Mac has never been equaled, and as a star in musical comedy he is a hard man to beat. Albertson has a unique way of his own, as most comedians have. Like all successful actors, he started at the bottom of the ladder, but his good stage presence and excellent voice, coupled with hard work and attention to detail, soon placed him on the top rung, where he now seems destined to stay for a good while to come. Being a college boy himself, he is much at home in his part, and his acting of it leaves nothing to be desired.

Supporting Mr. Albertson is the clever prima donna, Miss Hazel Kirke, only recently recruited into musical comedy, but who has so far more than "made good." Miss Kirke is a decided hit, having a remarkable voice and bearing Lillian Goldsmith, another musical comedy favorite, who is second to no other soprano as a dancer. Being the part of Lois, while Mabel Charles, Neal Burns and Bobbie Wagner have important parts. There are 22 song numbers, all of which are termed hits. The attraction will be seen here Jan. 1 and 2, with matinee Monday.

Seats Friday at 10 a. m.

# DISTRIBUTION OF THE COMMITTEE'S REPORT

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 24.—Many thousand copies of the report of the committee conducting the Ballinger-Pinchot controversy will be distributed throughout the country. It is estimated that the cost will be \$13,352, according to Mr. Cooper, chairman of the house committee on printing.

Mr. Cooper and members of his committee favored getting out a large edition to meet the widespread demand for information on the subject. Meanwhile, the house committee on agriculture has yet to act upon the report of the investigating committee, which was referred to it.

The report of the agricultural committee will be perfunctory return of the more important matter to the house without delving into the case at all.

# MOTORMAN PROVES HIMSELF TO BE HERO

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 24.—When Seymour Borror was taking an interurban car to the barns today, he saw Paul Martin, an eighty-year-old boy, sink into the Seine rope loose, and cut the trolley rope loose, and using it as a lasso, dragged the boy to the shore.

# EIGHT GAMBLERS FORFEIT BONDS

Men Taken in a Raid Fail to Appear in the Police Court.

Eight attaches of the Elephant gambling resort on Twenty-fifth street, who were taken during a raid on Friday night, forfeited their bonds in the sum of \$100 by failing to appear before Acting Judge Farnsworth in the police court yesterday morning. The names of the men appeared on the police record as follows: Pat Kelley, J. C. Crawford, C. Kopl, James Reeves, J. J. Clayton, John Davis, N. H. Moore and E. A. Smith.

# OGDEN THEATRE THE KISSING GIRL

DEC. 31—"THE OLD YEAR OUT AND THE NEW YEAR IN."

In order to have an attraction of merit for the close of the present year, Dec. 31, Mr. Allison has just concluded arrangements with the Southern Pacific to rush the big musical comedy company, "The Kissing Girl," from San Francisco by special train. The company will arrive at 4:30 p. m., in ample time to have everything in readiness for the best musical show on the road.

People will remember Texas Guinan, Harry Emerson and Dick Temple, George London, the tenor, and Ida Fitzhugh, the German comedienne. Such a cast of principals absolutely guarantees the attraction.

More than this, the best seats for the performance will sell for \$1.50. Thursday morning next the seats will be on sale.

# KEEFE RETURNING TO SAN FRANCISCO

HONOLULU, Dec. 24.—Daniel J. Keefe, commissioner general of immigration, who came here from Washington to investigate the immigration and labor problem in the Hawaiian Islands, sailed for San Francisco today on the Pacific Mail liner Mongolia. In an interview before his departure, the commissioner general severely criticized the importation of Filipinos by the sugar planters and declared that they were not a desirable class of laborers for the islands.

Mr. Keefe had words of praise for the immigrants brought from Siberia and considered them more desirable than the Filipinos but stated that the immigration of Americans to the mainland would best solve the labor problem and the Americanization of the islands so much desired.

The coming of Americans, however, in the opinion of the commissioner, was dependent on higher wages than are now being paid on the islands.

# BLOODHOUNDS SEARCHING FOR UNKNOWN MURDERER

HENNINGEN, Dec. 24.—R. S. Burns, a physician, 34 years old, was murdered in his office here last night by some one who used an axe as a weapon, but the crime was not discovered until today. A posse with blood hounds is searching for the murderer.

After killing Dr. Burns, the murderer hauled his body away in a wagon. The physician slept in his office and it is believed he was killed while he was sleeping.

Burns came here from Harrison, Ark., about five years ago. Dr. Burns was under indictment on a charge of having assailed a blacksmith here with intent to kill last spring.

# BOGOTA MERCHANT HAD MANY JEWELS

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Dario del Castillo, who told the magistrate that he had been arrested on the same charge and remanded in the Bow street police court. Charged with having received a large number of emeralds and diamonds alleged to have been stolen from the government of Colombia, Castillo was taken into custody following his arrest on the Mauretania. A quantity of jewelry brought to New York by Dario del Castillo, a merchant of Bogota, was seized by the New York custom officers because of a question as to the duties which should be paid to them. Castillo was not detained.

# THWARTS ATTEMPT TO BLOW UP PLANT

Oiler at Smelter Stabbed by Conspirators, but Saves Great Damage.

SALT LAKE, Dec. 24.—The timely discovery of a box containing 50 pounds of dynamite and a fuse prevented the blowing up of the big brick smelting plant of the Murray plant of the American Smelting & Refining company last night. James Martin, an oiler in the power plant, who thwarted the plot by his discovery, was attacked by the conspirators, and his gold watch stopped the course of a knife which would probably have pierced him to death.

Martin saw two foreigners loitering about the stack and decided to investigate. He found the box of dynamite ready to be placed in one of the iron doors at the bottom of the stack, which had been opened. While peering into the door, the two men jumped upon him and one attempted to stab him. His cries frightened the men away. The smelter officials can assign no reason for the apparent attempt to dynamite the chimney.

# CHICAGO MARKET

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Bull traders took advantage of the selling pressure in the wheat market today and sent up prices. Corn strength also was an aid, and there was assistance from the dry weather throughout Kansas, Oklahoma and most of Missouri. Closing figures were the same as last night to 1-4c higher. Corn made a net advance of 3-8c, to 7-8-9-10c. Oats rose a shade, to 1-3c, and provisions at the wharf declined from 30c advance to 7-12-13c.

Wheat started weak on bearish foreign developments. However, no rain had fallen in the winter wheat belt of the United States, and there was renewed fear of drought damage. Another source of encouragement from the bulls lay in the fact that primary receipts for the week showed quite a falling off, though arrivals in the Southwest were running heavy again, principally at Kansas City. May ranged from 96 1-8 to 96 1-2c and closed firm at 96 3-8c, a net gain of a shade.

Fear of a possible squeeze in the December delivery caused corn shorts much uneasiness. Fluctuations in the May option were from 48 1-8c to 48 3-8c, with last sales at 48 1-4c. Cash market firm. No. 2 yellow closed at 47 1-2c and 47 3-4c.

Firmness in oats came from sympathy with other grains. May sold between 34 1-8c and 34 3-8c and finished 1-8c up at 34 1-4c 3-8c. Offerings of ribs were much heavier than in the previous list. Latest figures were 5 to 50c up for pork, 10 to 12 1-2c higher for land and 7 1-2 to 10c rice for ribs.

# TAFT CONGRATULATES CHILE'S PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Having been notified by the United States legation in Santiago, Chile, of the inauguration of President Barros Luco, President Taft today sent the following congratulations to the new ruler by telegraph:

"I offer to you my congratulations on this occasion of your assumption of the executive of Chile and your acceptance of the best wishes for the success of your administration." According to the United States legation reports, the new Chilean cabinet will be as follows:

Minister of the interior—Maximiliano Ibanez.

Minister for foreign relations, Rafael Orrego.

Minister of justice and public instruction, Domingo Amunategui.

Minister of finance, Raimundo D'I Rios.

Minister of war and marine, General Pinto Concha.

Minister of industry and public works, Israel V. Valdes Vergara.

The members of the new cabinet are liberals.

# JUMPS FROM SWEETLY MOVING PASSENGER TRAIN

OGALLALLA, Kan., Dec. 24.—Mrs. Mary Griswold and her two children jumped from a fast moving Union Pacific train near Ellis, Kan., last night. Mrs. Griswold is a widow. Her home is eight miles northeast of Ellis. Her condition is dangerous. The children were only slightly injured. Mrs. Griswold feared the train would run over her at the station where she wanted to get off.